

# VISITABILITY WAIVER REQUEST

Project Address:		Project Manager:	
OPAL Project #:		Contractor:	
Grantee:		Contract #:	
Grant #:			

**Instructions:** Check the boxes below indicating which requirements you are requesting be waived. **Attach** a narrative description of the rationale for your waiver request along with other supporting documentation as may be needed to evaluate the request, such as photographs or surveys/drawings of the building site.

**Waiver Request:** I hereby request the waivers to the following provisions of the Office of Community Development (OCD) Policy Bulletin #10, Attachment E, Visitability Standards for New Construction:

- ☐ a) A no-step main floor entry with a threshold of less than ½ inch must be provided (this entry may be in the front, back, side, or through the garage);
- ☐ b) All doorways on the main floor must be at least 32 inches wide with the door open at a 90 degree angle (note that achieving this amount of clearance will generally require at least 34 inch interior doors on the entry level);
- ☐ c) All hallways on the main floor must be at least 36 inches wide (note that 34 inch doors at the end of a hallway will generally require that the hallway be at least 40 inches wide to allow for door casings);
- ☐ d) All main floor bathrooms must include blocking for future grab bar installation which is no less than 33 inches and no more than 36 inches above the floor (however, this policy does not require that grab bars be installed at the time of construction);
- ☐ e) Every unit must be provided with at least one half-bathroom on the main floor with i) a clear floor space of 30 by 48 inches centered on and contiguous to the sink that is not encroached by the swing path of the bathroom door and ii) a sink and toilet that allow for parallel or head-on approach by a person in a wheelchair; and
- ☐ f) Main floor environmental controls—including light switches and heating and cooling controls—must be located at least 15 inches and no more than 48 inches above the floor.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>For MSHDA Use Only:</b> The waiver requested has been <input type="checkbox"/> denied; <input type="checkbox"/> approved as requested; <input type="checkbox"/> approved subject to the following conditions:	
Approved by:	Date: ____/____/____
Signature:	Printed Name: